

FIND WOMAN SLAIN IN LODGING HOUSE; MOTIVE MYSTERY

Police Find Victim, Dead 12
Hours, Scarred and Strangled
—Slayer Leaves No Clue.

The dead body of Mrs. Helen Hammell, proprietor of a lodging house at No. 507 West 23d Street, was found this morning on a couch in the rear bedroom in the basement.

Two ugly wounds were on either side of her forehead and a cotton cloth was tightly wound about her throat. She had evidently been dead twelve hours when found by Eugene Windle, one of her roomers, at 11 o'clock.

Evidence of a terrible struggle were visible in the basement hallway, which extends from the front of the house to the backyard. The glass in the front door was daubed with blood and stains were found on the walls. A broken cuspidor, near which was a station, was found near the doorway leading to the floor above.

Mrs. Hammell was a large woman and very strong and would have been able to give a good account of herself with an ordinary man. On a table in the bedroom in which the body was found was her purse with twenty cents in it.

Whether death occurred from the wounds in the woman's temple or from strangulation has not yet been determined. Her husband, according to the roomers, works in a shipyard at Marine's Harbor and comes home only on Saturday night, leaving again for his work on Monday morning.

Elevator Runner Falls to Death.
John Kelly, elevator pilot in the apartment house at No. 839 Park Avenue, was instantly killed this afternoon when he fell down the shaft from the eleventh floor. He had stepped to the phone on the eleventh floor to report trouble with the elevator and while he was gone the cage slowly mounted to the twelfth floor. He was fifty-five years old and lived at No. 245 East 77th Street.

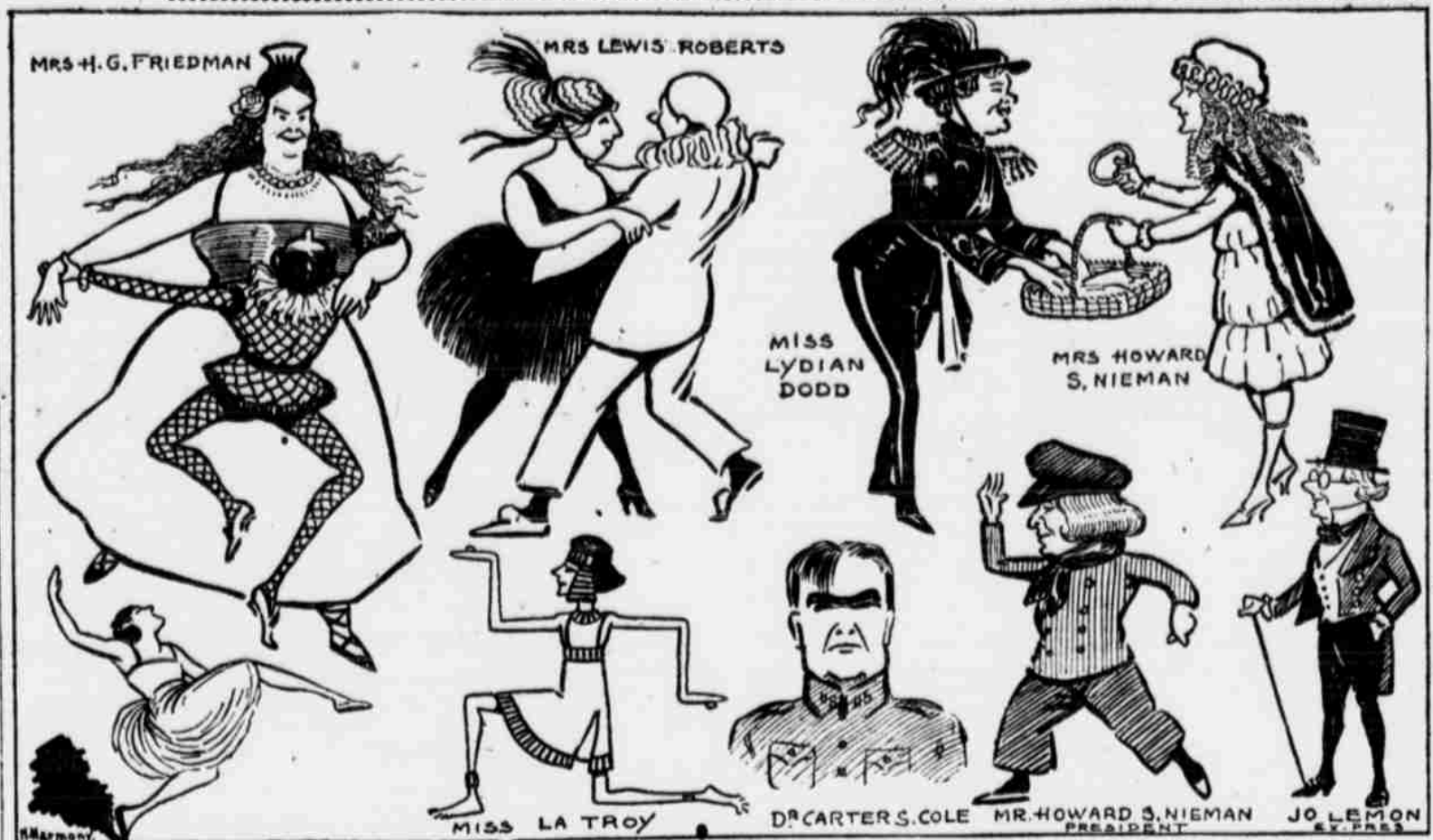
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Little Bo Peep Dances With Simple Simon At Pleiades Club's Mother Goose Party



Days of Knickerbockers and Nursery Rhymes Revived at a Costume Affair of the Jack Horner Period.

Lower Fifth Avenue turned back the clock a few years ago last night and took a header into the days of knickerbockers and nursery rhymes when the Pleiades Club gave a Mother Goose party in the ballroom of the Hotel Brevoort.

It was a strictly costume affair, nothing later than the Jack Horner period being popular to any extent. There were some exceptions, of

course, notably among them being Buster Brown, but as he has attended practically every costume dance that has been held since he was thought up he wasn't considered out of the picture. Old Mother Hubbard, Simple Simon, Little Bo Peep, Mary and her lamb, the Old Woman who lived in a shoe, Jack Spratt and Mrs. Spratt and all the other nursery favorites packed the room, with now and then a soldier or sailor in uniform, a Pierrot, a wooden-shoed Hollander or a Spanish dancer.

The decorations of the hall were simple, consisting of the art work of members of the club. The Pirates' Band from the Pirates' Den furnished the syncopated melodies and Miss La Troy an Egyptian dancer from Reinschneider's, added an Oriental touch. It was only by accident that Miss La Troy's name slipped out, and that is the reason that the first part of it is left off. The committee in charge endeavored to maintain the strictest secrecy regarding the identity of the professional entertainers who appeared between dances.

Eric J. Everett was chairman of the dance committee, and the members were Mrs. Robert S. Ament, Mrs. Lee F. Conrey, Mrs. Jerome C. Cook, Miss Lydia Dodd, Mrs. M. H. Dodds, Mrs. Earl H. Emmons, Mrs. W. T. Erickson, Mrs. John Everett, Mrs. R. J. Everett, Mrs. Edward P. Foley, Mrs. John C. Freund, Mrs. H. G. Friedman, Mrs. Henry Gaines Hawn, Mrs. C. J. Heermance, Mrs. George R. Hier, Mrs. G. Murray Hubert, Mrs. Joseph R. Hynes, Mrs. Elmer A. Miller, Mrs. D. P. Murphy, Mrs. E. W. Myers, Mrs. Howard S. Nieman, Mrs. William H. Rose, Mrs. W. N. Sedgwick, Mrs. Dan F. Smith, Mrs. E. W. Spencer, Mrs. A. E. Stahlschmidt and Miss Irene Williams.

FAMINE IN MEAT THREATENS NATION, SENATORS WARNED

Producers Driven Out of Business by Car Shortage, Says Swann at Farm Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Railroad and marketing conditions are rapidly driving American meat producers out of business and menacing the country with a meat famine. There is no shortage of hogs or cattle to-day, but 75 per cent. of the fattened cattle ready for the market on Jan. 1 are still held in feeding yards because there are no cars to ship them to Chicago.

This was testimony to-day before the Senate Agriculture Committee of A. Sykes, Ida Grove, Ia., President of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association. The committee to-day opened an investigation of the whole farm situation, with particular attention to grain, meat and labor conditions. "Patriotism alone is keeping thousands of men in the livestock business," said Sykes. "Conditions as they are now will ruin feeders. In Iowa, Illinois, Eastern Nebraska and South Dakota, Missouri and Minnesota, livestock farmers are losing \$3 a hundred pounds on their cattle because of inability to ship them. In addition, large quantities of grain are being wasted by being fed to hogs and cattle which were ready for market weeks ago."

Sykes declared the Government "is losing the confidence of the farmers" because farmers and livestock producers have been given no voice in the Food Administration. Farmers' interests were put in the hands of a lawyer, Sykes declared.

Sykes told the committee that when cars are made available to ship meat to market packers will cut the price to the producer, giving increased receipts as the excuse.

"But the price will not be reduced to the consumer," Sykes added. "The livestock men whose patriotism is costing them all it has taken them years to accumulate are not going to be burned a second time; they'll get out of the business."

Dwight B. Hurd of Phoenix, Ariz., former President of the American Livestock Association, told the committee that Sykes's picture of a serious meat shortage was not overdrawn and that unless remedial action was taken a domestic shortage equivalent to "a national disaster" was probable.

STATE LIQUOR INCOME CUT \$320,633 IN YEAR

Excise Commissioner's Report Shows 519 No License Towns, Against 498 in 1916.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Receipts for 1917 from liquor tax certificates in New York dropped \$320,633 from \$1,068,145 in 1916 to \$747,512. The number of saloons in 1917 was 21,701, as compared with 22,159 the year previous. These facts were contained in the first annual report of State Excise Commissioner Herbert S. Sloan made since the law went into effect last year apportioning liquor license in proportion to population and increasing license fees.

The report gave the following license and non-license summaries: Total number of towns in State, 835; towns with full license, 219; towns with no license, 519; towns with partial license, 104. In 1916 there were 221 towns with full license privileges, 498 with no license, and 115 with partial license.

News Oddities

MAYOR and ten citizens of Toms town arrested as spies and forced to give \$50,000 in bonds because they put a German flag in front of a hall through mistake.

BECAUSE he was saving wood, thus doing patriotic duty, police refused to arrest Dutchess County man whose wife wanted him jailed for not paying alimony.

MEN DOCTORS so scarce in Poughkeepsie, a woman has been chosen as head of the Health Board.

GIRLS ran elevators like they were aeroplanes and scared guests, local hotel explained in discharging girl elevator operators and hiring men.

"GOOD BY, RUSSIA; HELLO AMERICA" is the latest popular song in London.

NEVER WENT TO A MOVIE, a park, on a street car or saw Lake Michigan during six years in Chicago, because she was too poor, testifies widow of a stockyard employee.

RICE AND PLUMS have been luncheon for forty years of a Japanese nobleman who is in fine health at a ripe old age.

SO A JUROR can get home in time to milk his cows, California court daily adjourns an hour early.

America's Loans to Allies Now Total \$4,734,400,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—An additional \$50,000,000 was placed to the credit of Italy to-day by Secretary McAdoo, bringing the total of American loans to that country to \$550,000,000, and the total of American credits to the Allied Nations to \$4,734,400,000.

SUGAR PROFITEERS BECOME WHOLESALE OVERNIGHT

Federal Investigator Says License System Aids Them and Hurts Legitimate Merchant.

"The east side is rotten to the core with profiteers in sugar who have become wholesalers overnight," said P. A. Johann, chief of the Complaints Bureau of the State Food Board at No. 230 West 57th Street, to-day. "By some means these profiteers get Federal licenses and through them are able to obtain sugar, while the legitimate merchants are unable to get any."

"The system of issuing Federal licenses is all wrong. Many have licenses to sell as wholesalers who should not have them; others have no license and still deal in sugar."

Johann said he had summoned J. Ehrlichman, an ice cream and confectionery manufacturer at No. 44 Jackson Street. Ehrlichman admitted he had no wholesaler's license, but obtained all the sugar he wanted and sold it to retailers at a price far in excess of that fixed for wholesalers. The Federal investigator said he had forced Ehrlichman to return to one retailer \$118 overcharge.

123 CARS FLOUR FOR ALLIES.

Third Heavy Shipment From West Arrives at Tidewater.

Three special trains aggregating 123 cars and laden wholly with flour destined for the Allies, reached Constable Hook, N. J., from the West at midnight last night and are being run alongside ships to-day for their freight to be transferred direct to the ships' holds. This represented the third of such heavy shipments to be received at Jersey tidewater in the last two weeks, according to the report of Director of Eastern Railroads A. H. Smith. Much water still is delaying traffic in the Middle West. At Allegheny, Pa., the passenger station has had to be abandoned because of floods, and in Indianapolis the railroad yards are all under water.

PAIN, PAIN, PAIN, STOP NEURALGIA

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One style; in black or tan calfskin. All sizes from 6 to 11 in the tan. All sizes, except 8 and 8½, B width, 8½ and larger, C width, in the black.

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1,248 pairs Children's Shoes

Regular stocks of button shoes in patent leather with cloth, kid, velvet and white kid tops, calfskin, kidskin with patent leather tips, and one russet tan, reduced for Friday's selling.

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| (1) Sizes 5 to 8, four styles, that were \$2.75 to \$3. | } \$2 |
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Not all sizes in each style but all sizes in the lot. Main floor, Old Building

House Dresses at \$3

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Main floor, Old Building

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